(b) if so, what are the details thereof; and

(c) what follow-up action has been taken so far in the matter ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI JANARDHAN POOJARY) : (a) to (c) The information is being collected and to the extent available and permissible under the statutes will be laid on the Table of the House.

Apprehending of a London-based woman terrorist at the New Delhi International Airport

2839. SHRI RAM CHANDRA VIKAL: Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state :

(a) whether it is a fact that a London-based woman terrorist of Indian origin who was being flown back to Britain along with an official of the British High Commission was detained by the immigration authorities at the New Delhi international airport in October, 1986; if so, what are the details in this regard and what action has been taken against her; and

(b) whether the issue has been officially taken up with the British High Commission ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS (SHRI K. NATWAR SINGH) : (a) The Immigration authorities detained Mrs. Kuldip Kaur, a U.K. passport holder at the Indira Gandhi International Airport on 18th October, 1986. An official of the British High Commission, Miss K. Doherty, had accompanied the U.K. national to the airport. Mrs. Kuldip Kaur was produced before the Chief Metropolitan Magistrate on 6th November, 1986, who remanded her to custody. She has been charged under Section 3 and 4 of the Terrorists and Disruptive Activities (Prevention) Act, 1985.

(b) Yes, Sir.

News-item captioned "The Nun Runner"

2840. SHRI T. R. BALU : Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state :

(a) whether Government's attention has been drawn to the news-item captioned "The Nun Runner" which was published in 'India Today' of 31st August, 1986 and also in 'Illustrated Weekly' of 7th Septembr, 1986 issue;

(b) if so, whether any inquiry has been conducted under Passport Act against the accused Shri Cyriac Puthenpurackal and his institution Nirmala Bhavan; if not, what are the reasons thereof;

(c) whether Government propose to declare him "absconding" as he is not traceable in Kerala and also confiscate his personal properties and Nirmala Bhavan; and

(d) what steps are being taken to prevent him from cheating innocent and poor people any more in Kerala or elsewhere ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS (SHRI K. NATWTR SINGH) : (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) to (d) All relevant information is being collected. A report will be placed on the Table of the House.

Indian diplomats involved in smuggling activities

2841. SHRI K. GOPALAN :
SHRI KRISHNA KUMAR BIRLA :

Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state :

(a) how many Indian diplomats abroad were found to be indulging in smuggling activities during the last three years, year-wise;

(b) whether anyone was accused of smuggling heroin; if so, what are the details thereof;

(c) whether Government's attention has been drawn to a news-item captioned "Return Indian Diplomat say three UK MPs" which appeared in the Times of India on 4th November, 1986;

(d) if so, whether any action has been initiated against the concerned diplomat; if so, what are the details thereof; and